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	Exhibit No.
Amendments to House Bill No.	93 Pate 4-11-07
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Requested by Senator Greg Lind

For the Senate Finance and Claims Committee

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1. Page 1, line 16.

Strike: "<u>18</u>" Insert: "19"

2. Page 1, line 20.

Strike: "<u>18</u>" Insert: "19"

3. Page 8, line 11.

Strike: "15" Insert: "16"

4. Page 14, line 17 through line 21.

Strike: line 17 through line 21

5. Page 14, line 21. Following: line 21

Insert: "NEW SECTION. Section 15. Restrictions on information technology appropriations. (1) The northern tier network expansion appropriation is restricted by the following conditions:

- (a) All expenditures of the northern tier network expansion appropriation for the statewide telecommunications network as defined in 2-17-506 must be in accordance with the provisions of Title 18, chapter 4.
- (b) A request for information must be issued to assist in determining the most cost-effective and scalable network that meets the state and university needs.
- (c) The statewide telecommunications network is limited to use by state government agencies, political subdivisions, and other participating entities to support their program, education, and research needs as provided in 2-17-512. All entities that are permitted to use the statewide telecommunications network must be qualified under terms and conditions established by the department in accordance with Title 2, chapter 17.
- (d) On behalf of the Montana university system, the department of administration may enter into agreements with educational or research institutions in other states to use the capacity of the statewide telecommunications network to meet their mutual needs for research and education.
- (e) Except as provided in subsection (1)(c) and (1)(d), the statewide telecommunications network cannot be used to provide statewide telecommunications network services to any entity not authorized in subsection (1)(a) for the purpose of using any excess capacity that may be available.

(2) The statewide E911 network project must be performed by contracted services pursuant to Title 18, chapter 4. The amount of \$2 million of the E911 appropriation must used for the purchase, installation, and maintenance of the position-determining equipment on the existing statewide E911 network, and \$2 million must be distributed to counties. The funds may not be used to pay for early termination fees on existing contracts. Sixteen percent of the amount distributed to counties must be distributed evenly to the 56 counties, and 84% must be distributed to counties with 1% or less of the total population. To be eligible for E911 network funding, a county must have an approved enhanced 9-1-1 plan in accordance with 10-4-125."

Renumber: subsequent sections

6. Page 15, line 10.

Strike: "<u>15</u>" Insert: "16"

7. Page 15, line 11.

Strike: "<u>15</u>" Insert: "16"

8. Page 24, line 7.
Strike: "17 and 18"
Insert: "18 and 19"

9. Page 24, line 8. Strike: "17 and 18" Insert: "18 and 19"

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Explanation - This amendment adds restrictions to the Northern Tier Network Expansion project.